

# Staff Summary Report



Council Meeting Date:

4/22/10

Agenda Item Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBJECT:** Request approval of a resolution which amends the fee policy for athletic field lighting and establishes field rental fees for organizations who are composed of less than seventy percent of Tempe residents.

**DOCUMENT NAME:** 20100422prtd01 0707-01 RECREATION ADM-POLICIES Resolution No. 2010.30

**COMMENTS:** Estimated revenue is approximately \$200,000 annually.

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**REVIEWED BY:** Mark Richwine, Parks and Recreation Manager (480-350-5325)

**LEGAL REVIEW BY:** Dave Park, Assistant City Attorney, (480-350-8907)

**DEPARTMENT REVIEW BY:** Mark Richwine, Parks and Recreation Manager (480-350-5325)

**FISCAL NOTE:** It is estimated the implementation of staff's recommendations as proposed will generate approximately \$200,000 annually beginning in FY 2010/11.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends the approval of the resolution.

**ADDITIONAL INFO:** The City Council approved a fee policy for Parks and Recreation programs and services in 1992. The policy has remained largely unchanged since its adoption. After a benchmark study of athletic field use and in surrounding communities, staff has proposed assessing fees for athletic field lights to groups that previously received them at no charge and implementing field use fees for organizations without 70% or greater Tempe residents. The implementation of the proposed fees would begin July 1, 2010. The new fee structure will reduce the number of contact hours per field to an industry standard that will allow for seasonal growth and recovery in field turf conditions, while significantly increasing field use revenue.

The proposed policy would provide preference in field scheduling to: City of Tempe youth and adult programs, partnering agencies with an IGA (Inter-Governmental Agreement), non-profit Tempe youth organizations composed of at least seventy-percent of Tempe residents, Non profit adult organizations composed of at least seventy-percent of Tempe residents.